

AMERICANS SAID TO BE PRISONERS MAY BE RELEASED

Father of Albuquerque Youth,
Believed to Be Held With
Madera Employees, Receives
Hopeful News.

Because of General Villa's decision to retire and his start for the American border the early release of the American prisoners of the Madera company, reported as having been held as prisoners, is expected. The news is of keen interest here because of the fact that J. E. Kimmons, of Albuquerque, was said to be among the prisoners.

J. E. Kimmons, father of the young man, appeared to the state department as soon as he heard, last week, that his son was in the number. Yesterday morning he received a telegram from Secretary Lansing saying that the department had instructed its representatives at El Paso to investigate the report and to make an effort to obtain the release of the men if it was found to be correct.

Mr. Kimmons also received a telegram from Claude C. Miller, manager of the Mackay Telegraph & Telephone company in Mexico, a close friend of General Villa, saying that the release of the men was expected today. He also said none of them was in danger. United States Consul Edwards at Juarez has been unable to learn the names of the men because wire communication with Chihuahua has been cut. Mr. Miller said.

EDMUND F. COBB TO BE SEEN AT 'B' TODAY

Edmund F. Cobb, of this city, who is now working with one of the feature companies of the Essanay Motion picture company in Chicago, has probably risen more rapidly in his chosen vocation than any of the younger stars on the screen today. Starting with one of the smaller companies a few months ago his ability was soon noticed by the higher up in the Essanay organization and he was very promptly called into Chicago and put in one of the feature companies. Mr. Cobb, in possession of youth, good looks and furthermore knows how to wear clothes. One of the best of Mr. Cobb's recent pictures, "The Papered Door," in which he is the star with Ruth Stonehouse, will be shown at the B theater today.

Indigestion and Constipation.
"When living in Syracuse, N. Y., about two years ago I took two bottles of Chamberlain's Tablets and they cured me of indigestion and constipation after I had suffered for months with these disorders," writes Mrs. Charles Glynn, Baldwinville, N. Y. Obtainable everywhere.

Remarkable Spec'als for all this week at E. Maharam's Store

- 52-inch Plush Velvet, regular \$3.00, for **\$1.25**
- New Waists in silk and fancy striped, for **98c**
- Silk Hose for **25c**
- Good quality Kid Gloves, for **95c**
- Silk Crepe de Chine Waists, for **\$2.95**
- Bath Robes, extra heavy, made of blankets, for men and women, for **\$2.95**
- Ladies' Shoes, extra high cut, in bronze, patent leather and white top, also black and white trimmed, for **\$2.95**
- Ladies' Felt Slippers, fur trimmed, for **98c**
- Boys' Norfolk Suits, in blue serge and cashmere, for **\$2.45**
- Boys' Mackinaw Coats, extra heavy **\$2.95**
- Men's Silk Suspenders for **35c**
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CHRISTMAS SAVINGS CLUBS EXPECTED TO DO BIGGER BUSINESS

The Christmas Savings club, inaugurated by the First Savings Bank & Trust company and the American Trust & Savings bank, is growing in popularity with all classes of this city, and it is predicted that there will be a rush to these two banks this week, as the Christmas club for 1916 will open tomorrow and memberships, it is understood, may be taken out between that date and January 10, 1916.

Cashier Landolt, of the First Savings bank, yesterday stated: "The principal benefit of the Christmas Savings club is that it teaches the value of a small beginning. Until a very few years ago one would have ridiculed the idea of a man's entering a bank to deposit 2 cents. Yet it is easy to see that by increasing the initial deposit just 2 cents each week the sum will finally amount to over \$25 in the year."

In explaining the "workings" of the club, Cashier McMillin, of the American Trust bank, said:

"Club members do not spend the money they save altogether for Christmas purchases or vacations. In hundreds of cases the club members are persons who have never saved before. They continue putting money aside each week until they become fast friends of those two good habits, thrift and saving. After using what they need they actually, after some deliberation, place the balance on deposit in a regular savings account."

The plan is a simple one and "figures prove the power of pennies, nickels and dimes." Here are the several plans:

- Members starting with 5 cents and increasing five cents each week for fifty weeks, get \$63.75.
- Members starting with \$2.50 and increasing five cents each week for fifty weeks, get \$62.75.
- Members starting with two cents and increasing two cents each week for fifty weeks, get \$25.50.
- Members starting with \$1.00 and increasing two cents each week for fifty weeks, get \$25.50.
- Members starting with one cent and increasing one cent each week for fifty weeks, get \$12.75.
- Members starting with fifty cents and decreasing one cent each week for fifty weeks, get \$12.75.
- Members paying fifty cents a week fixed, for fifty weeks, get \$25.
- Members paying \$1 a week fixed, for fifty weeks, get \$50.

BANK BANDITS GET SMALL SUM; ONE IS KILLED

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 18.—Four men, firing shots in all directions, appeared early tonight before the Duval State bank at Duval, King county, thirty miles east of Seattle, and entering the bank, which had just been opened for its Saturday night's business, seized a sack containing \$400 in silver dollars. The men fled up the Snoqualmie river, carrying the heavy bag of silver.

In a few minutes the alarm spread through the town, and a posse of armed men set out in pursuit of the robbers. About a mile above town the posse came upon one of the robbers, who was taking silver dollars from the sack and placing them in his pocket. The robber fired at the posse, whose leader threw a spotlight on the robber, directing the aim of the other members of the posse and the robber became the target for a shower of bullets.

He fell or jumped over the bank of the river into the swift mountain stream and it not killed by the bullets would he must have been drowned. The body has not been recovered. The posse recovered the money bag which had been left in it and then pressed on in pursuit of the other three robbers. It is believed that they have been surrounded in the woods bordering the stream.

LETTER MAILED IN 1860 REACHES DESTINATION

Los Angeles, Dec. 18.—A letter written by the Rev. Samuel Ward, of New Orleans, Nov. 6, 1860, the day he cast a ballot for "Good Abe Lincoln," was received through the mails here today by Prof. W. D. Ward, of Occidental college, a son of H. C. Ward, of Zanesville, Ohio, the man to whom it was addressed. Where the letter went after it was first addressed will remain a mystery.

The next postmark after that of New Orleans in 1860 is that of College Station, New York, August 23, 1870. The letter reached Zanesville last October, and after search had been made for the addressee, was forwarded here to Professor Ward, who lacks three days of being as old as the letter.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

William A. Lucking, 26 years old, died yesterday at his home on South Arno street after a month's illness. Mr. Lucking came here ten years ago from St. Louis. Two sisters, one of whom lives in St. Louis and the other in Illinois, and a brother, Gus Lucking, who lives in Missouri, survive. Funeral services will be held at C. T. French's chapel at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, the Rev. C. O. Beckman, pastor of the Lead Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview cemetery. Express messengers will be pall-bearers.

Many Injured by Storm.

Meridian, Miss., Dec. 18.—The reports today from the section about Meridian, swept by a severe wind storm yesterday, indicated that more than fifty persons were injured, but that there were no deaths except at Osites, Miss., where four negroes were killed.

MOST EXPOSED CITY OF FRANCE PROVES SAFEST

Man Sold His House in Nancy
and Moved to Belgium; Purchaser
Has Never Been Disturbed by Germans.

(Associated Press Correspondence.)
Nancy, France, Dec. 18.—Nancy, the old capital of the Duchy of Lorraine, had for more than two score of years the hazardous privilege of occupying a front seat in the theater of a probable war. "Targets for cannon" the newspapers sent to Nancy were called. It was here the "iron division" of the famous Twentieth army corps was stationed with the Twenty-sixth brigade of cavalry, not to undertake the supposedly impossible task of saving Nancy but to receive and defend the first shock.

The story has been told of the French officer who, anticipating war in June of last year, sold his little country property near Nancy, bought a villa in Belgium and congratulated himself that his family would be far outside the vortex.

Purchaser Is Safe.

While the stout fortress of Nancy was crumbling under the blows of the heavy German guns, unforgotten, the French officer's family fled to France with Belgian refugees at the same time that Emperor William, who, with 10,000 cavalry of the guard had awaited the moment for his triumphal entry into Nancy, turned back toward Metz. As to the purchaser of the officer's country place, he has not seen a German soldier since August 24, 1914, the second of the campaign has been growing fainter and less frequent in his ears. It is only when the wind is right that Nancy hears it.

Only once did the German artillery get close enough under cover of night to bombard the city; then it did less damage than the dozen visits of German aeroplanes and Zeppelins. Nearly every one of those visits was tragic because every one wanted to see the aircraft. The two children and wife of a barber in the rue Saint-Jean stepped to the door to get a look at a Taube one morning; all three were killed together with four other persons, while the barber escaped without a scratch. Four people were killed by a bomb that fell under the windows of the prefecture. The second attempt of the Germans to bombard Nancy with their heavy guns is still the talk of Nancy. One of the 15-inch long-range naval pieces put in position near Chateau Salins (Salzburg) to send in Nancy the same destruction that they had hurled into Dunkirk, was discovered by air scouts. The French advanced their heavy artillery to easy range and destroyed the big gun and its foundation before it had fired a single shot, according to the report.

Nancy appears today to be anything but a military headquarters. Only a few soldiers on leave, a few convalescent wounded and officers on various missions give it the semblance of a garrison town. The soldiers' quarters in the barracks are occupied by a thousand of so of families and dozens of families from different parts of Lorraine, awaiting the moment to return home. Among them are eighty-four children called "the orphans of Pont-a-Mousson" because their parents have remained in the little town sheltered recently for the 17th time. The women of this colony of exiles, taking their part in the work of national defense by turning out 600,000 trench socks, work at which they can earn 40 cents a day besides their board and lodging. It is rather coarse work for some of them, expert in the finest embroidery.

Nancy's industrial, commercial and educational life has gone on uninterupted and modified only by difficulties of fuel and transportation. The medical colleges of the university have not missed a day of their regular terms and the public schools were never closed.

RICHARDSON DIVIDES WORK WITH MCCLURE

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL.)
Cleveland, N. M., Dec. 18.—Judge G. A. Richardson and J. T. McClure of this, the fifth judicial district, have divided the work of the district by mutual agreement, and commencing with the January term of court the former will preside in Eddy and Curry counties and the latter in Chaves and Roosevelt counties. This is the only district in the state having two judges and heretofore they have had no set plans for dividing their work.

The taxpayers of Curry county have been clamoring at the office of the tax collector for the past month to pay their taxes, but there was nothing doing, as the tax rolls were not in his hands. The assessor now expects to turn the rolls over to the collector on Monday, December 20, at which time the payment of taxes can commence. Judge Richardson while here last week made a court order extending the time until February 2 when the first half of the taxes would become delinquent. Ordinarily they are delinquent December 1.

A. C. Fent, one of our substantial farmers, a few days ago butchered a hog that weighed 185 pounds dressed. The porker was one of Mr. Fent's own raising, and he claims was one of the largest ever produced hereabouts.

Greek Flag Over Monastir.

Paris, Dec. 18 (9:50 a. m.)—It is announced that General Teodoroff, of the Bulgarian army, has been appointed governor of Monastir, says the Havis correspondent at Athens, filing under Friday's date. On the other hand, it is declared by the official government organ that the Greek flag is flying over the Monastir railroad station.

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT WANTS TEXAS TOGA

Waco, Tex., Dec. 18.—Dr. Samuel Parker Brooks, president of Baylor university, today renewed that position, effective January 1. Dr. Brooks gave as his reason that he intended to devote his time until next summer to his campaign for the democratic nomination for United States senator to succeed Senator Charles Culberson.

NO VIOLENCE OCCURS IN MACHINIST STRIKE

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 18.—No violence or excitement (much) arose out of today's strike of 100 machinists and tool makers at two of the four plants of the New England Westinghouse company in this city and Chicago. The river plant at Chicago, Falls, where the entire force of 400 men walked out at 9 a. m., was locked out. Officials of the company refused to comment on the situation. Labor leaders said tonight that unless an agreement is in sight by Monday when the strikers have a mass meeting the three remaining Westinghouse plants, employing 1,800 men, will be affected and efforts made to stop the manufacture in local factories of machinery for Westinghouse use.

The strikers are demanding recognition of a union shop committee and minimum wages of 60 cents an hour for machine makers, 50 cents for tool makers and 45 cents for machinists.

LOWER CALIFORNIA TO YIELD TO OREGON

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE.)
California, Dec. 18.—Several officials of the government of Esteban Cantu, who for months has been the supreme power in the Mexican territory of Lower California, have left their posts at Mexicali across the border from here and disappeared. Others sent out ostensibly on official errands have failed to return. These incidents are regarded by Mexicans as giving weight to widely circulated reports that Cantu is preparing to abdicate.

Cantu recently sent two emissaries to Hermosillo to treat with General Alvaro Obregon, the Carranza commander. Reports are current here that the Carranza government, through Obregon, soon will name a successor to Cantu as governor.

KENTUCKY RIVER HAS PASSED FLOOD STAGE

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE.)
Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 18.—The Kentucky river passed the flood stage of thirty-five feet here today. Backwater inundated a considerable part of a lowlying section, drove 100 families from their homes and flooded two warehouses. The major portion of the city is on higher ground and is out of reach of the rise, which is not expected to exceed thirty-six feet.

Reports from widely separated points in Kentucky indicate flood stages in many small streams. Immediate improvement in conditions is expected, inasmuch as little rain has fallen for twenty-four hours.

The damage, while considerable in the aggregate, is distributed over a wide area and largely is confined to farm property.

MOHAMMEDANS KILL SERBIAN CHRISTIANS

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE.)
London, Dec. 18 (12:44 a. m.)—The following Serbian statement has been received from Belgrade:

"During the retreat of the Serbian army the Albanians and Bulgarians armed Mussulmans in new Serbia and incited them against the peaceful population. Numerous massacres caused and unprovoked cruelties and crimes were committed."

SLOOP CAPSIZES AND SEVEN MEN PERISH

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE.)
Cambridge, Md., Dec. 18.—Seven men were drowned in Chesapeake bay today when the sloop Lady Harrington, of Oxford, capsized and sank in a gale of wind and rain.

Captain Arat Pops, of the Lady Harrington made a hard fight for life and nearly won, but sank just when rescue was at hand.

HAMBURG-AMERICAN LINERS PURCHASED

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE.)
London, Dec. 18 (7:20 p. m.)—According to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Copenhagen, the Swedish-American line has negotiated for the purchase of two 12,000-ton steamers of the Hamburg-American line, now at New York. The parties are awaiting a guarantee from Great Britain that she will regard the transaction as Swedish, in order to close the transaction, the dispatch adds.

NOTED BERLIN PAPER STOPS PUBLICATION

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE.)
London, Dec. 18 (11:50 p. m.)—An Amsterdam dispatch to Reuter's Telegram company says:

"The Lokal Anzeiger (Berlin) which has hitherto been regarded as a semi-official organ, has published, instead of the regular morning edition, a single sheet announcing that the publication of the newspaper has been prohibited."

FRENCH AUXILIARY CRUISER IN DANGER

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE.)
Havana, Dec. 18.—The French cruiser at Santiago has requested the Cuban authorities to give protection to the French auxiliary cruiser which is lying in that port. The consul made this request on the ground that the ship was in danger of being blown up by conspirators. The Cuban government has furnished a guard of patrol boats around the cruiser.

GARCIA PLACED UNDER PROHIBITIVE BOND

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL.)
Alamogordo, N. M., Dec. 18.—Luis Garcia has been held to \$5000, the action of the grand jury, to answer to the charge of killing diplomat Hidalgo, at El Paso, Texas, November 24. Justice of the Peace Kellong, who conducted the preliminary hearing fixed the amount of the defendant's bond at \$5,000. The sum of the bond operates the same as if Garcia had been remanded to jail without bail. Garcia claimed to have acted in self-defense.

After the altercation, in which he is said to have used a big knife, inflicting wounds in Sandoval's head, he made his escape and walked to El Paso. He returned over into Juarez, but soon returned to El Paso, where he was arrested and brought back to Alamogordo. Sandoval having died in the meantime. Attorney Lee R. York at Alamogordo represented the defendant at the preliminary hearing.

TEACHERS OF OTERO COUNTY RANK HIGH

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO MORNING JOURNAL.)
Alamogordo, N. M., Dec. 18.—A statement of the educational qualifications and average of salary received, issued from the office of Prof. R. S. Tipton, county superintendent, shows the teachers of Otero county to rank very high in grade. Number holding life certificates, six; professional certificates, three; first grade certificates, forty-four; second grade certificates, nine; third grade certificates, none; permits, one.

The average monthly salary paid to teachers for the entire county is \$72.20; for holders of life certificates, \$44.50; for holders of professional certificates, \$65.50; for holders of first grade certificates, \$22.10; for holders of second grade certificates, \$41.66; for holders of permits, \$26.50. The average monthly rural salary is \$60.45; the average municipal salary, including the Otero county high school at Alamogordo and the high school at Tularosa, is \$72.49.

MAD COYOTES RAVAGE CALIFORNIA COUNTIES

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE.)
Sacramento, Cal., Dec. 18.—Two California counties and three across the line in Nevada are being pillaged by mad coyotes. It was announced

here today, and a campaign has been started against them.

Already in Modoc county state authorities have slaughtered 127 coyotes and nearly done that work bitten and shot mad by the wild animals.

Elsewhere are promised by the United States public health service to aid state authorities in ridding the country of the coyotes, which also are active in Lassen county and in Elko, Washoe and Humboldt counties in Nevada, where they are ravaging flocks and herds. The government biological survey also is aiding the campaign.

Divorced Wife Gets \$100,000.

Denver, Dec. 18.—Settlement of litigation long pending between James H. Brown and his divorced wife was reached here today when Brown decided property to his wife estimated at \$100,000.

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- Glorieta Quart Bottle **12c**
- Beer **12c**
- Old Taylor and Yellowstone **10c**
- Budweiser and Schlitz Beers, Pints **12c**
- Budweiser and Schlitz Beers, Quarts **20c**

Famous Pell's Beer, pints, per dozen **75c**

Glorieta Beer, pints, per dozen **99c**

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